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September 15, 2004

Dear Sir:

On September 10, 2004, the undersigned received the Office action mailed September 9, 2004. Unfortunately, one foreign document cited by the examiner was missing from the Office Action. The missing document is listed below:

Japanese Patent No. 11131193 issued May, 1999.

Applicant respectfully requests that a complete copy of the above-listed document be forwarded to the undersigned, and a new period for response be set by the United States Patent and Trademark Office

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